GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:399
ANSWERED ON:02.12.2004
INCREASE IN CHARGES OF TATKAL RESERVATION SCHEME
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has increased the charges under the Tatkal scheme for reservation in all classes of trains and also introduced peak and non-peak period in this regard;

(b) if so, the complete details of Old and new-charges under the scheme for both peak and non-peak period, alongwith its effective date, class-wise;

(c) the reason for increasing the charges just after Railways Annual Budget and putting extra burden on the passengers; and

(d) the revenue would be generated from the increase of charges on Tatkal Railway Reservation ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a) to (d) : A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.399 BY SHRI DEVIDAS PINGLE, PROF. MAHADEORAO SHIWANKAR AND SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02/12/2004 REGARDING INCREASE IN CHARGES OF TATKAL RESERVATION SCHEME.

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The earlier and new Tatkal Charges are as under: -

S.No.	Class	Earlier Tatkal Charges	Revised Tatkal Charges	
		During non-peak period (15th July to 15th September)	Other than non-peak period	
i)	AC 2- tier	Rs.200/-	Rs.200/-	Rs.300/-
ii)	AC3- tier	Rs.150/-	Rs.200/-	Rs.300/-
iii)	AC Chair Car	Rs.50/-	Rs.75/-	Rs.150/-
iv)	Sleeper	Rs.50/-	Rs.75/-	Rs.150/-

The revised charges are being made effective in trains phase-wise starting from 14th November 2004 for the journeys commencing from 15.11.2004 under the new Tatkal scheme.

(c) New Tatkal Scheme which started in trains phase-wise from 14.11.2004 has many passenger friendly features eliminating the shortcomings in the previous Scheme. The charges had to be revised to stop misuse of the facility.

(d) It is not feasible to quantify the additional revenue on this account.